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TAGS: MASS, KS
SUBJECT: ROK TANK UPGRADE PROGRAM

GENERAL PAIK, SEOK CHU MADE A SPECIAL PLEA TO ME TODAY
(MARCH 9) FOR THE RELEASE OF THE TANK KITS. WHEN I TOLD
HIM THAT THE DECISION MIGHT BE STILL A COUPLE WEEKS AWAY,
HE SOUNDED VERY DISAPPOINTED AND ASKED THAT I REEMPHASIZE
THE URGENCY OF THE MATTER TO WASHINGTON. HE POINTED OUT
SOME OF THE A-48 TANKS ARE LANDING TODAY IN PUSAN AND THAT,
THEREFORE, THE KITS TO UPGRADE THESE TANKS ARE URGENTLY
REQUIRED. I ENDED THE CONVERSATION BY READING TO HIM PART
OF THE EXCERPT FROM STATE DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING OF
MARCH 8, UNDERSCORING THE PHRASE THAT "WE WOULD CONTINUE TO
HELP THE KOREAN ARMED FORCES UPGRADE THEIR CAPABILITY."
THIS DID SOMEWHAT REASSURE GENERAL PAEK.
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